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James M. Wilson et al) Examiner: R. Shukla
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants petition the Director of the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 23, 2001 in the above-identified patent application for three (3) months from February 23, 2002 to May 23, 2002.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$920.00 to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that the check is missing, the Director of the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in any fees due with the filing of this paper or credit any overpayment in any fees paid on the filing, or during prosecution of this application to Deposit Account No. 08-3040.

Respectfully submitted,

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